

PSYCHOLOGY EXAMINING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 16, 2001

MEMBERS PRESENT: Don Crowder, Ph.D.; James Fico, Ph.D.; Mariellen Fischer, Ph.D.;
B. Ann Neviaser; Barbara Van Horne, Ph.D.

MEMBER EXCUSED: McArthur Weddle

LEGAL COUNSEL: John Schweitzer

STAFF PRESENT: Kimberly Nania, Karen Rude-Evans

GUEST: Susan Milleville, Verbatim Reporting; Attorney Kevin Milliken;
Dr. Steven Stein; Carola Pfaffner; Sarah Bowen, WPA

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Barbara Van Horne called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Ann Neviaser moved, seconded by Mariellen Fischer, to approve the agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 16, 2001

Corrections: -On page 3, under VISITOR'S COMMENTS, in the second paragraph correct the spelling of "Grundahl" to "Grundle".
-On page 3, under RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION, change McArthur Weddle's vote to "yes".
-On page 3, under HARRIET WALKER, change the motion to read, "...Harriet Walker, Ph.D., that she must provide additional information regarding supervised practice in, or delete, competency and supervision."
-On page 4, under STEVEN SCHNEIDER, in the first motion, delete "do" and insert "of".

MOTION: Ann Neviaser moved, seconded by Mariellen Fischer, to approve the Minutes of November 16, 2001, as corrected. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED STIPULATIONS

There were no stipulations to present.

REPORTS ON PENDING COURT CASES, DISCIPLINARY CASES AND
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

These reports were informational.

ORAL ARGUMENTS IN THE MATTER CONCERNING STEVEN R STEIN, PHD

The Board heard oral arguments in the matter concerning Steven R. Stein, Ph.D. Dr. Stein was present and was represented by his attorney, Mr. Kevin Milliken. DOE attorney Jack Zwieg represented the Department.

REVIEW DRAFTING CHANGES REQUEST LRB-32991

MOTION: Ann Neviaser moved, seconded by Don Crowder, to approve the draft language of LRB-32991. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Ann Neviaser moved, seconded by James Fico, to add to the analysis of LRB-32991 the language regarding competency evaluations. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Ann Neviaser moved, seconded by Don Crowder, to add to the analysis of LRB-32991 the language regarding the Board's ability to suspend a license for more than one year. Motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF SCOPE STATEMENT RELATING TO SCHEDULING OF EXAMINATIONS

MOTION: Ann Neviaser moved, seconded by Mariellen Fischer, to approve the scope statement relating to scheduling of examinations. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO POST-DOCTORAL CLINICAL HOURS

The Board reviewed correspondence from Gayle Ellis, Ph.D. Legal counsel will reply to Dr. Ellis as directed by the Board.

CORRESPONDENCE AND INQUIRIES RECEIVED BY LEGAL COUNSEL

The Board reviewed correspondence and inquiries received by legal counsel. Legal counsel will reply as directed by the Board.

CE AUDIT

Any responses to the initial audit letter that are received after today's date (December 17, 2001) will be considered late, and an administrative warning may be issued to those licensees for not complying with the audit.

SUPERVISED EXPERIENCE FORMS

This item was postponed to the January meeting.

SUMMARY OF MULTIPLE LICENSES

This item was informational.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Mariellen Fischer moved, seconded by James Fico, to recess to closed session pursuant to Chapter 19.85(1)(a), (b), (f) and (g), Wis. Stats., for the purpose of conducting oral interviews, reviewing additional information from applicants, reviewing a request to expand practice, application reviews, deliberation of proposed decision, consideration of an administrative warning, reviewing case status report and consulting with legal counsel. Roll call vote: Don Crowder – yes, James Fico – yes, Mariellen Fischer – yes, Ann Neviasser – yes, Barbara Van Horne - yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Open session recessed at 10:36 a.m.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

MOTION: Mariellen Fischer moved, seconded by Don Crowder, to reconvene in open session. Motion carried unanimously.

Open session reconvened at 1:58 p.m.

VOTING ON ITEMS CONSIDERED/DELIBERATED ON IN CLOSED SESSION

ADDITIONAL APPLICANT INFORMATION

MOTION: Ann Neviasser moved, seconded by Don Crowder, to accept the additional information from oral candidate **Carl J. Kittleson, Psy.D.** Motion carried unanimously.

ORAL INTERVIEWS

MOTION: Ann Neviasser moved, seconded by Don Crowder, to grant licenses for the practice of psychology to **George Recknagel, Ph.D.** and **Carl J. Kittleson, Psy.D.** Motion carried unanimously.

REQUEST TO EXPAND PRACTICE

DEMARA B BENNETT, PSY D

MOTION: Ann Neviasser moved, seconded by James Fico, to inform Demara B. Bennett that she must provide documentation from her supervisor that she is qualified for independent practice in the area of pediatric neuropsychology.

APPLICATION REVIEWS

MICHAEL AISENBERG, PSY D

MOTION: Mariellen Fischer moved, seconded by Don Crowder, to admit Michael Aisenberg, Psy.D., to the ethics exam and personal appearance. Dr. Aisenberg must provide additional information supervised practice in, or delete, group therapy. Motion carried unanimously.

ASENATH LARUE, PHD

MOTION: Don Crowder moved, seconded by James Fico, to admit Asenath LaRue, Ph.D., to the ethics exam and personal appearance. Motion carried unanimously.

JEFFREY R WOZNIAK, PHD

MOTION: Don Crowder moved, seconded by James Fico, to admit Jeffrey R. Wozniak, Ph.D., to the ethics exam and personal appearance. Motion carried unanimously.

PROPOSED DECISION

STEVEN STEIN, PHD

Ann Neviaser was absent during deliberations and abstained from voting.

MOTION: Don Crowder moved, seconded by Mariellen Fischer, to adopt the Findings of Fact of the proposed decision in the matter concerning Steven Stein, Ph.D. Ann Neviaser abstained. Motion carried.

MOTION: Don Crowder moved, seconded by Mariellen Fischer, to adopt the Conclusions of Law of the proposed decision in the matter concerning Steven Stein, Ph.D., with the exception of Conclusions of Law # 3 and # 4, to find that Dr. Stein's conduct constituted gross negligence in the practice of psychology for his sexual relationship with a client and for having a sexual relationship with the spouse of a client. Ann Neviaser abstained. Motion carried.

MOTION: Don Crowder moved, seconded by Mariellen Fischer, to issue a Final Decision, varying from the proposed decision, in the matter concerning Steven Stein, Ph.D., to impose a one-year suspension to commence thirty (30) days after the Order is signed, with a requirement that Dr. Stein obtain a mental health evaluation at the end of the one-year period to satisfy the Board that he may safely return to practice, with or without limitations. Dr. Stein is also ordered to reimburse the department for a pro-rated share of the costs associated with counts 1, 2 and 4 of the complaint. Ann Neviaser abstained. Motion carried.

ISSUE ADMINISTRATIVE WARNING

MICHAEL J CICHY, PHD

MOTION: Ann Neviaser moved, seconded by Don Crowder, to issue an administrative warning in the matter concerning Michael J. Cichy, Ph.D. Motion carried unanimously.

CASE STATUS REPORT

MOTION: Ann Neviaser moved, seconded by Mariellen Fischer, to close complaint **01 PSY 033** for no violation. Motion carried unanimously.

OTHER BOARD BUSINESS

SUPERVISION REQUIREMENT

MOTION: Mariellen Fischer moved, seconded by Ann Neviaser, to recommend to all mental health boards that the supervision requirements for all masters level practitioners including private practice school psychologists be the same for all mental health credential holders. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Ann Neviaser moved, seconded by James Fico, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 3:33 p.m.

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